Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—With your permission, I would like to make one submission. After all, we are here to settle matters of dispute in the larger interests of the country. When it suits the Chief Minister he will rise and make a statement; whenever it does not suit him, he will keep quiet. After all, this is a very small matter and nothing prevents him from making a statement and I am sure you will be the last person to say: "I do not permit you to make the statement." when he wants to make a statement. I am sure you will permit him to make the statement. So instead of making the statement, if he only sticks to the rule not to make the statement, I will have 100 occasions when I will point out that he is breaking the rule.

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—I am really surprised at the remarks made by the hon. Member Sri Channabasappa. It is not a question of suiting anybody's convenience. When the Speaker has given a ruling that he is not going to permit that question when he has called the next question and when the Speaker is telling the member that he is not going to permit him to put the question is it fair on my part to rise and say that I am going to reply to that question? I do not think I should resort to that.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬ. ಪಿ. ಗಂಗಾಧರ್.—ಇಂತಹ ಇನ್ ಚೆನ್ನಸ್ ಹಿಂದೆ ಬಹಳ ನಡೆದಿವೆ. ಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಪ್ರೊಸೀಡಿಂಗ್ಸ್ ನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದು ನೋಡಿದರೆ ಗೊತ್ತಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಈ ರೀತಿಯ ಡಿಸ್ಕ್ರಿಮಿನೇಷನ್ ಏತಕ್ಕೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಕೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

Devarabilikere Project

14. Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Harihar).---

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :--

the resources, if any, found out to implement Devarabilikere Project as promised in the last Budget Session?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister). -

This project is proposed to be taken up for execution soon. It forms a component part of Bhadra Project Estimate. Funds allotted for Bhadra Project in budget estimates will be utilised as and when required.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA. —Is it not a fact that this project was separately included as one of the projects that will have to be taken as a separate project and allotted funds as per the discussion in the Resources Committee ?

† Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—This is part of Bhadra Project. This is going to cover the command area of Bhadra Project. When Bhadra Project was conceived this was also included in it. There were so many investigations going on and Government ultimately decided and accordingly estimates have been revised. Government have recently

accorded administrative approval to this project. We are going to commence construction work very shortly.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA. May I know how much funds you are going to allot during the current financial year for this work?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—There is no separate budget allotment for this project. As I have already said, this forms part of Bhadra Project. We have already made an allotment of Rs. 40 lakhs during the current year for Bhadra Project and the Chief Engineer has asked for another Rs. 13 lakhs. We are going to provide the necessary funds. That will include the funds that are required for this project also.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—As far as tenders are concerned, they were called for and the last date for tender was 29th or 30th of last month. May I know what further steps have been taken with regard to finalisation of tenders? In view of what has been said about the lowest tenderer, will Government be pleased to consider that the man who can deliver the goods earlier will be considered as the man fit to be the tenderer for this work?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—I understand that tenders have been called for and that tenders have been received and that the tenders are being examined in the Chief Engineer's Office. We have not yet received report from the Chief Engineer. After we receive the report with the details of the tenders and the rates quoted, Government will take suitable action.

Misappropriation in Blacksmiths' Co-operative Society, Mallaghatta

28. Sri N. HUTCHMASTY GOWDA (Huliyurdurga).—

Will the Minister for Development be pleased to state :-

- (a) the amount misappropriated in the Blacksmiths' Co-operative Society, Mallaghatta, Kunigal Talok as per the audit of the accounts of the said Society for the years 1965-66, 1966-67 and 1967-68 and the persons who have misappropriated the amount together with the amount misappropriated by them;
- (b) whether a person who misappropriated the amount in this Co-operative Society has been made the Chairman of the Tumkur District Consumers' Co-operative Society;
- (c) the amount misappropriated in the said Society after appointing the said gentleman as the Chairman of the said society and the person alleged to have misappropriated;
- (d) whether it is a fact that the said gentle nan was nominated by the Government to the Tumkur District Food Advisory Committee after he was found to have misappropriated the amounts in the above Societies?